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AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application.

Listing of Claims:

1- 4 (canceled)

5 (currently amended) An electronic device housing comprising:

a pair of sidewall components extending between respective top sidewall portions and bottom sidewall portions, the bottom sidewall portions lying in a plane that extends between the bottom sidewall portions; and,

a bottom component joined with and extending between the bottom sidewall portions, wherein the bottom component has a non-loaded disposition relative to the plane and a loaded disposition relative to the plane, and wherein at least a portion of the bottom component is closer to the plane in the loaded disposition than in the non-loaded disposition, wherein the portion of the bottom component is juxtaposed with one or more manipulated regions of the bottom component such that the manipulated regions urge the first portion away from the plane while the bottom component retains a generally flat profile.

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6 (original) The electronic device housing as recited in claim 5, wherein in the non-loaded disposition and in the loaded disposition, at least a majority of the bottom component lies on the same side of the plane.

7 (original) The electronic device housing as recited in claim 5, wherein in the loaded disposition at least a majority of the bottom component is on the same side of the plane as the top portions.

8 (original) The electronic device housing as recited in claim 5, wherein the bottom component and the pair of sidewall components are formed from a single piece of material.

9 (original) The electronic device housing as recited in claim 8, wherein the single piece of material comprises a base pan.

10 (currently amended) The electronic device housing as recited in claim 5, wherein the portion of the bottom component is generally oriented along the length of the bottom component from a front edge but not completely to a back edge.

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11 (currently amended) The electronic device housing as recited in claim 5, wherein the portion of the bottom component extends along an entirety of the length of the bottom component from a front edge to a back edge.

12 (original) The electronic device housing as recited in claim 5, wherein the portion of the bottom component is generally oriented along the width of the bottom component between the bottom sidewall portions.

13-30 (canceled)

31. (new) The electronic device housing as recited in claim 5, wherein the manipulated regions form shallow bends on each side of the portion.

32 (new) The electronic device housing as recited in claim 31, wherein the manipulated regions form bends having a angle in the range of about 180.2 degrees to about 185 degrees.

33 (new) The electronic device housing as recited in claim 5, wherein the manipulated regions form a gradual arch across the portion.

34 (new) The electronic device housing as recited in claim 12 wherein the manipulated regions result in a portion that is a v-shaped portion.

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35 (new) The electronic device housing as recited in claim 5, wherein the bottom component has a width between the bottom sidewall components in the range of 15 inches to about 20 inches and wherein the non-loaded disposition relative to the plane is in the range of 0.002 to 0.020 inches

36 (new) The electronic device housing as recited in claim 5, wherein the bottom component has a width between the bottom sidewall components in the range of 15 inches to about 20 inches and wherein the non-loaded disposition relative to the plane is in the range of 0.001 to 0.300 inches.

37 (new) The electronic device housing as recited in claim 5, wherein a second portion of the bottom component juxtaposed the sidewall component forms an angle of less than 90 degrees relative to the sidewall component.

38 (new) The electronic device housing as recited in claim 8, wherein prior to attaching a top component, a second portion of the bottom component juxtaposed the sidewall component forms an angle of about 88 degrees relative to the sidewall component.

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39 (new) The electronic device housing as recited in claim 8, wherein prior to attaching a top component, a second portion of the bottom component juxtaposed the sidewall component forms an angle in the range of about 80 degrees to about 89.5 degrees relative to the sidewall component.

40 (new) The electronic device housing as recited in claim 5, further comprising a top component joined to the respective sidewall portions, wherein the bottom component has a generally concave shape that is oriented away from the top component.

41 (new) The electronic device housing as recited in claim 40, wherein the concave shape of the bottom component lies on the same side of the plane as the top component.

42 (new) The electronic device housing as recited in claim 5, further comprising electronic components mounted to the bottom component to produce the loaded disposition.